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Pursuant to LR IA 6-1 and LR 7-1, the parties, through their respective counsel, stipulate to extend the time for Defendants to file their response to Plaintiff's Complaint for Declaratory Relief (ECF No. 1). The parties submit that good cause exists for this stipulation based on the following:

- 1. Plaintiff filed its Complaint on May 5, 2023 (ECF No. 1).
- 2. The Complaint was served on defendant Paysign, Inc. on or about June 7, 2023.
- 3. Subsequent to this initial service, attorney Brian G. Friel, who represents Paysign, Inc., advised that his office will be among the attorneys representing all Defendants, and agreed to accept service of the Complaint on behalf of all remaining unserved Defendants.
- 4. As part of this procedural cooperation between the parties, the parties initially agreed that all Defendants will have until July 28, 2023 to respond to the Complaint, and the parties submitted a stipulation to this effect (ECF No. 17).
- 5. Since that time, the parties have been actively engaged in discussions regarding the merits of the issues raised in the Complaint in an attempt to avoid the time and expense of further litigation. To facilitate these ongoing discussions, the parties agreed that an additional 30-day extension for Defendants to respond to the Complaint would be mutually beneficial. The parties stipulated to this extension, which provided Defendants with an extension to respond to the Complaint to August 28, 2023. (ECF No. 19). For these same reasons, the parties agreed to three further additional 30-day extensions for Defendants to respond to the Complaint. (ECF Nos. 21, 22 and 25). The current response deadline is November 27, 2023. (ECF No. 25).
- 6. The parties continue to actively engage in settlement discussions, and have enlisted the assistance of a mediator. These discussions involve three different related cases. However, an agreement has not yet been reached. The parties agree that an additional 45-day extension will be mutually beneficial to continue to facilitate the ongoing settlement dialogue, as well as to provide additional time to account for the upcoming November, December and January holidays. The parties therefore agree and respectfully submit that good cause exists for an additional 45-day extension, or to January 15, 2024, for Defendants to respond to the Complaint.

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2	7. This stipulation constitutes the parties' sixth requested extension of time.	
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16	IT IS SO ORDERED:	
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18	AD WELL A STORY A SEC HID OF	
19	UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE	
20	DATED: November 15, 2023	
21	NO FURTHER EXTENSIONS WILL BE GRANTED	
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